

Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Use (ATOD)

The following statistics are from the 2000 Virginia Community Youth Survey. The survey was part of a national effort funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention. The Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services contracted with a private company to conduct the survey, which was administered in the fall of 2000. It measured alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, along with other factors, of a sampling of youths attending Virginia public schools in grades eight, 10 and 12. The survey was administered to provide information for the state as a whole and for the five health-planning regions in Virginia.

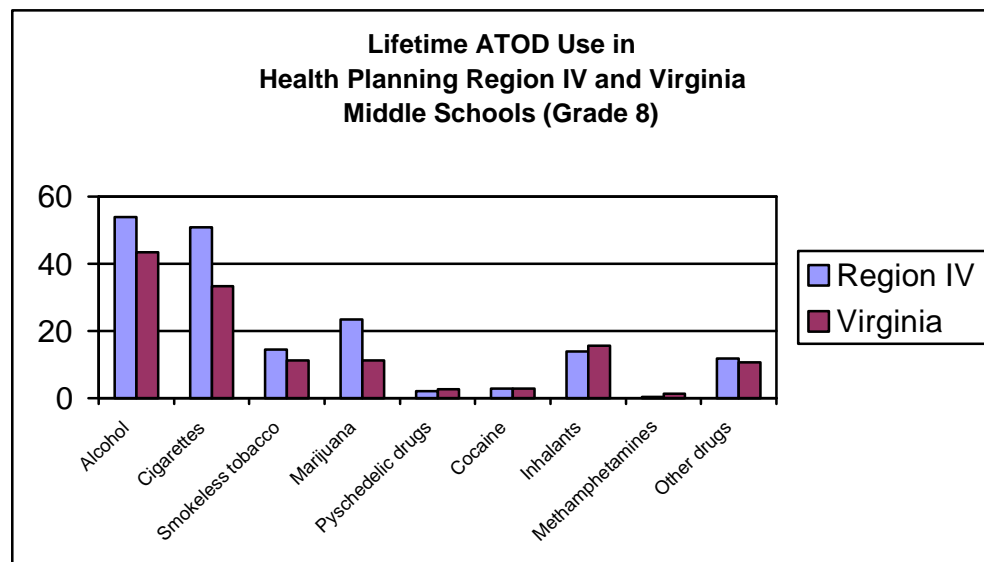
Health Planning Region IV contains the counties of Amelia, Buckingham, Brunswick, Charlotte, Chesterfield, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Greenville, Prince George, Halifax, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Prince Edward, Surry and Sussex, and the cities of Colonial Heights, Emporia, Hopewell, Petersburg and Richmond. Although Chesterfield County was not one of the survey participants, the information more closely reflects local trends than that of national surveys. A Chesterfield County survey was last conducted in 1993.

In November 2005, Chesterfield County conducted a Community Youth Survey. The survey will be used measure the strengths and risks of students in Chesterfield County. The data from that survey was not available at the time of this report.

Any Lifetime ATOD-Use Prevalence in Health Planning Region IV and Virginia Middle Schools (Grade 8)

Percent Reporting Use	Alcohol	Cigarettes	Smokeless tobacco	Marijuana	Psychedelic drugs	Cocaine	Inhalants	Methamphetamines	Other drugs
Health Region IV	53.9	50.9	14.4	23.5	2.1	2.9	13.9	0.4	11.9
Virginia	43.4	33.3	11.3	11.2	2.7	2.9	15.7	1.4	10.6

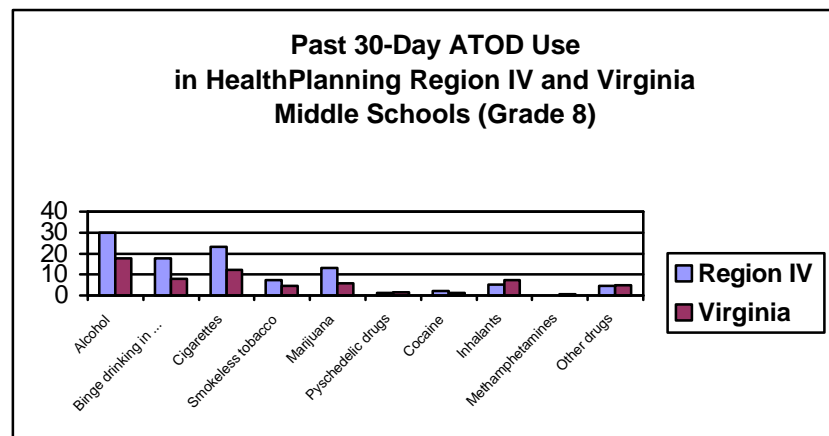
Source: Virginia Community Youth Survey, 2000



Past-30-Day ATOD Use in Health Planning Region IV and Virginia Middle School (Grade 8)

Percent Reporting Use	Alcohol	Binge drinking in Past 2 Weeks	Cigarettes	Smokeless tobacco	Marijuana	Psychedelic drugs	Cocaine	Inhalants	Methamphetamines	Other drugs
Health Region IV	29.8	17.6	23.2	7.3	13.0	1.1	2.2	5.2	0.0	4.5
Virginia	17.7	7.8	12.1	4.6	5.9	1.6	1.1	7.4	0.6	4.8

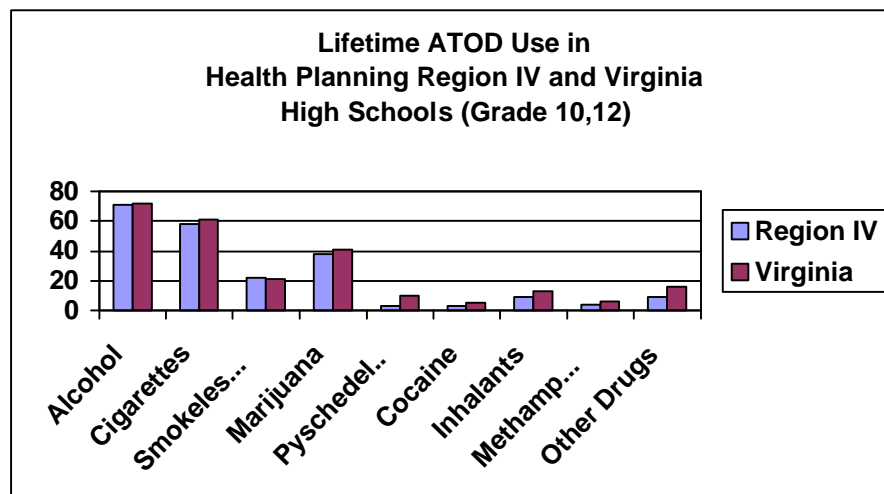
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Lifetime ATOD Use in Health Planning Region IV and Virginia High Schools (Grades 10, 12)

Percent Reporting Use	Alcohol	Cigarettes	Smokeless tobacco	Marijuana	Psychedelic drugs	Cocaine	Inhalants	Methamphetamines	Other drugs
Health Region IV	70.7	57.8	21.9	37.9	3.3	3.1	9.4	3.8	9.1
Virginia	71.7	60.6	21.1	40.6	9.8	5.4	12.9	5.6	16.2

Source: Virginia Community Youth Survey, 2000



**Past-30-Day ATOD Use in
Health Planning Region IV and Virginia
High Schools (Grades 10, 12)**

Percent Reporting Use	Alcohol	Binge drinking in Past Two Weeks	Cigarettes	Smokeless tobacco	Marijuana	Psychedelic drugs	Cocaine	Inhalants	Methamphetamines	Other drugs
Health Region IV	37.1	21.0	25.5	9.0	18.0	1.2	1.7	1.9	1.5	4.3
Virginia	44.2	23.8	28.6	9.1	22.6	4.4	2.5	3.3	2.7	7.1

Source: Virginia Community Youth Survey, 2000

